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SUBJ: LETTER TO SC PRESIDENT FROM PALESTINIAN RIGHTS

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

REF: USUN 2981

1. LETTER FROM CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 13TH IS REPRODUCED IN PARAGRAPH FOUR BELOW.

2. CONTRARY TO OUR INFORMATION REPORTED IN REFTEL THE LETTER IS QUITE SPECIFIC AS TO THE TIMING OF A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT. CHAIRMAN FALL WRITES TO REQUEST THE PRESIDENT TO "HOLD THE NECESSARY CONSULTATIONS WITH A VIEW TO CONVENING A MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE SUBJECT AT A SUITABLE DATE. IN THE COMMITTEE'S OPINION, THIS

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MEETING SHOULD IN ANY CASE BE HELD BEFORE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONSIDERS ITEM 30 OF ITS PROVISIONAL AGENDA, ENTITLED "QUESTION OF PALESTINE" SO THAT IT CAN SUBMIT ITS CONCLUSIONS CONCERNING THE DISCUSSION IN THE SC TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY." DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THIS ITEM WAS VOTED ON IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON NOVEMBER 17TH FOLLOWING SEVERAL DAYS OF DEBATE. MOREOVER A SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL HS INFORMED US THAT IT IS NOW EXPECTED THE

SECURITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE UP THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM INCLUDING THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION IN OCTOBER. HE NOTED THAT SYRIA IS APPARENTLY WORKING WITH THE PLO ON A DRAFT RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD SUPPLEMENT SC RES 242. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION ROMANIAN PERM REP. DATCU TOLD AMBASSADOR LEONARD THAT AN SC DEBATE ON PALESTINE IS ASSURED; ONLY THE QUESTION OF TIMING IS LEFT OPEN.

3. TEXT OF LETTER IN PARA 4.

4. QTE: LETTER DATED 13 SEPTEMBER 1977 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO REFER TO MY LETTER OF 8 JUNE 1977, DOCUMENT S/12345, CALLING ATTENTION TO PARAGRAPH 4 OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 31/20, IN WHICH THE ASSEMBLY URGED THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ONCE AGAIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, IN ORDER TO TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THEM.

I AM AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMITTEE, IN MY CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN, TO REQUEST THAT YOU HOLD THE NECESSARY CONSULTATIONS WITH A VIEW TO CONVENING A MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE SUBJECT AT A SUITABLE DATE. IN THE COMMITTEE'S OPINION, THIS MEETING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SHOULD IN ANY CASE BE HELD BEFORE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONSIDERS ITEM 30 OF ITS PROVISIONAL AGENDA, ENTITLED "QUESTION OF PALESTINE", SO THAT IT CAN SUBMIT ITS CONCLUSIONS CONCERNING THE DISCUSSION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. I WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE YOU THAT IN YOUR CONSULTATIONS CONCERNING THE CONVENING OF THE COUNCIL, YOU CAN COUNT ON MY FULL CO-OPERATION, AND ON THAT OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

ATTACHED YOU WILL FIND A COPY OF THE REPORT WHICH THE COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTY-FIRST SESSION AND WHICH CONTAINS THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS ASKED TO CONSIDER ONCE AGAIN. IN THAT CONNEXION I WOULD RECALL THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ITS RESOLUTION 31/20 OF 24 NOVEMBER 1976, TOOK NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AND ENDORSED THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, AS A BASIS FOR THE SOLUTION OF THE QUESTION OF PALESTINE.

I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THIS LETTER COULD BE CIRCULATED AS A SECURITY COUNCIL DOCUMENT.

(SIGNED) MEDOUNE FALL

CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE  
RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE UNQTE.  
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